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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of)
AL-KASSIM, Adil et al.)
Application No.: 09/898,272)
Filed: July 2, 2001)
For: TABLETOP FOR RADIATION)
THERAPY AND DIAGNOSTIC)
IMAGING)

Examiner: LAGMAN, Frederick L.
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AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please replace the pending claims with the following:

B1 Sub C1

Claim 1 (previously amended): A tabletop device for use in supporting and positioning a patient in a medical therapy or diagnostic system having a support base and operable to project a beam over at least a portion of the tabletop device, the